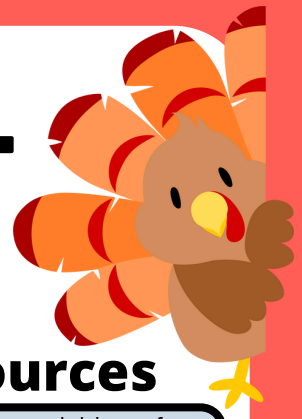




LGPS CARDINAL CONNECTION

Sunday, November 24, 2024



Principal Message

Dear Cardinal Families,

This past week, our **Unity Day** this past week was a beautiful reminder of the strength and joy we share as a school community. Seeing our students and staff proudly wear their shirts and come together in unity brought smiles to everyone's faces—it was truly a special day.

As we look ahead, I want to wish all of you a wonderful **Thanksgiving Break** from November 27-29. Don't forget to mark your calendars for upcoming events like the **Town of Orange Christmas Parade** on December 7 and our PTA **Penguin Patch Holiday Shop** from **December 9-13**. Check out the full newsletter for all the details!

Thank you for continuing to support and celebrate our students and school community. Let's make this season one of gratitude and connection.

Warm regards,
Mr. Finger

Home Resources

Learning begins and ends with our children's first and most important teacher; their family. We are so pleased to partner with you in your child learning and development.

Reading

Story Telling Around the Table

Encourage your child to share a favorite story or read a Thanksgiving-themed book aloud during family time. It's a great way to practice reading skills while creating meaningful holiday memories together! 📖🦃

Math

Count & Compare the Feast

Use your Thanksgiving meal to practice math! Ask your child to count items on the table (like rolls or pies) or compare quantities (which plate has more turkey?). It's a fun way to build math skills while enjoying family time! 🦃+🥧

Orange Parade Christmas on the Farm

We invite our staff, students and their families to join us on Saturday, December 7 around 4:30 to participate in the Town of Orange Parade. Scroll down or [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

We hope you can ensure LGPS has healthy representation!

- 11/27 - 11/29 - Happy Thanksgiving Break!
- 12/2 - PTA Snow Flake Gram Kick Off (Due on Dec 17)
- 12/7 - Town of Orange Christmas Parade - [CLICK HERE](#) to Join Us
- 12/9 - 12/13 - PTA Penguin Patch Holiday Shop
- 12/10 - 2nd Grade Winter Musical @ 7:00 PM - 2nd Grade Performers to arrive at 6:45.
- 12/11 - PTA Dine & Donate at Rita Italian Ice in Locust Grove
- 12/17 - 12/19 - Cardinal Cart to Visit Classrooms
- 12/18 - LGPS Students to be sent home with a special gift from the PTA.
- 12/20 - Student Holiday & Teacher Work Day

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS MORE IMPORTANT UPCOMING LGPS & OCPS](#)

Upcoming dates:

Christmas on the Farm

Join us for the
Annual Orange Rotary Christmas
Parade

Let's celebrate together!



ORANGE, VA

DECEMBER

7

AT 4:30 PM



Please fill out the google form linked to RSVP if your child is interested in participating in the parade. Students will have the opportunity to ride on the float or walk in the parade. Parents must accompany their own children during the parade (you get to be in the parade too!)

CLICK HERE

Unsure? Call the LGPS school nurse

540-661-4420 x 4010



SEE YOU IN CLASS

- Runny nose or a mild cough but no other symptoms
- Temperature below 100.4 and no fever reducing medicine in the last 24 hours
- No throwing up or diarrhea in the last 24 hours

BEST TO STAY HOME

- Fever of 100.4 or higher in the last 24 hours, with or without fever reducing medicine
- Persistent Cough
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Instructions from a doctor to isolate from others

Heading to school! What should I know?

- By coming to school every day they're not sick, your child is:
- Building positive habits and a solid foundation for success
- Staying engaged in learning and on track for graduation
- Gaining valuable social skills
- Less likely to feel stressed and anxious
- Supporting the success of all

My Child is staying home. What should I do next?

- Notify the school by phone or email at 540-661-4415 lindahopkins@ocss-va.org
- If possible let us know before 9:30am on the day of the absence
- Repeat this checklist every morning.
- We hope to see your student in class soon!!

Please use this guidance to help you decide if we should see you in class or if your child should stay home.

We want you to get better when needed but need you in school as often as possible.



¿No estás seguro? Llama a las enfermeras de la escuela.
540-661-4420 x 4010



TE VEO EN CLASES

- Secreción nasal o tos leve pero sin otros síntomas
- Temperatura inferior a 100,4 y sin medicamentos para reducir la fiebre en las últimas 24 horas.
- Sin vómitos ni diarrea en las últimas 24 horas.

¿De camino a la escuela!
¿Qué debo saber?

Al venir a la escuela todos los días y no estar enfermo, su hijo:

- Desarrollar hábitos positivos y una base sólida para el éxito
- Mantenerse comprometido con el aprendizaje y encaminado hacia la graduación
- Adquirir valiosas habilidades sociales
- Es menos probable que se sienta estresado y ansioso.
- Apoyando el éxito de todos los estudiantes

LO MEJOR ES QUEDARSE EN CASA

- Fiebre de 100.4 o más en las últimas 24 horas, con o sin medicamento para reducir la fiebre.
- Tos persistente
- Vómitos o diarrea
- Instrucciones de un médico para aislarse de los demás.

Mi hijo se queda en casa.
¿Qué debería hacer después?

- Notifique a la escuela por teléfono o correo electrónico al 540-661-4415 lindahopkins@ocss-va.org
- Si es posible, avísenos antes de las 9:30 a. m. del día de la ausencia.

Repita esta lista de verificación todas las mañanas.

¡Esperamos ver a su estudiante en clase pronto!

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR



Superintendent's Budget Roundtable
6:00-8:00 PM



Public Comment Dedicated to FY2026 Budget
Regular Board Meeting



Presentation of Superintendent's Budget Priorities
Board Work Session



Public Comment Dedicated to FY2026 Budget
Regular Board Meeting



Presentation of Superintendent's Proposed Budget
Board Work Session



Public Hearing on FY2026 Budget
Regular Board Meeting



Tentative Approval of Proposed Budget OR Budget Work Session (as needed)



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